

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 5, line 8, please add the following paragraphs:

FIG. 18 shows an example of a polarizing element further including another layer having a function of a quarter wavelength plate. In FIG. 18, 2001 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2002 denotes a retardation layer, 2003 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, and 2004 denotes a quarter wavelength plate.

FIG. 19 shows an example of a polarizing element further including another layer having a function of a quarter wavelength, plate and an absorptive dichroic polarizing plate. In FIG. 19, 200 1 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2002 denotes a retardation layer, 2003 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2004 denotes a quarter wavelength plate, and 2005 denotes an absorptive dichroic polarizing plate.

FIG. 20 shows an example of a polarizing element laminated via a layer of a translucent adhesive or pressure-sensitive adhesive. Numeral 2001 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2002 denotes a retardation layer, 2003 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, and 2006 denotes a translucent adhesive.

FIG. 21 shows an example of a polarization light source. Numeral 2001 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2002 denotes a retardation layer, 2003 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2007 denotes a light source, and 2008 denotes a reflective layer.

FIG. 22 shows an example of a liquid crystal display apparatus. Numeral 2001 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2002 denotes a retardation layer, 2003 denotes a reflective circular polarizer, 2007 denotes a light source, 2008 denotes a reflective layer, and 2009 denotes a liquid crystal cell.